# United States Customs Service - New World, New Challenges

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## **Outline of Presentation**

- ■Background & Operational Environment
- **■**Current Capabilities
- **■**Challenges
- **■**Future Activities



# Background

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#### Customs Mission:

- We are the protectors of our Nation's borders -- America's frontline.
- We serve and protect the American Public with integrity, innovation and pride.
- We enforce the laws of the United States, safeguard the revenue, and foster lawful international trade and travel.

## Organization:

- Headquarters
- Over 900 Field Locations
- Over 300 Ports of Entry
- 34 Foreign Offices
- Over 19,000 employees



# On a Typical Day...

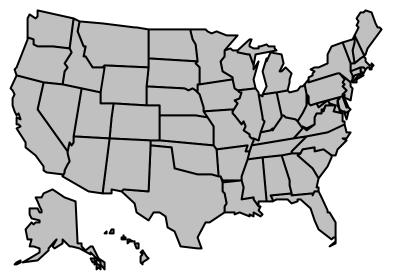
- The U.S. Customs Service examines:
  - Over 1.3 Million Passengers
  - Over 355,004 Vehicles
  - Over 50,889 Trucks/Containers
  - 588 Vessels
  - 2,642 Aircraft
- and seizes the following amounts:
  - 5,059 pounds of Narcotics
  - \$222,803 in Conveyances
  - \$525,791 in Merchandise
  - \$443,907 in Currency



# FISCAL YEAR 2001 WINDOWS OF INTERDICTION OPPORTUNITY



(National Statistics)



#### **LAND**



387,862,588



129,576,724

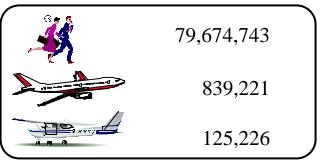


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#### **AIR**



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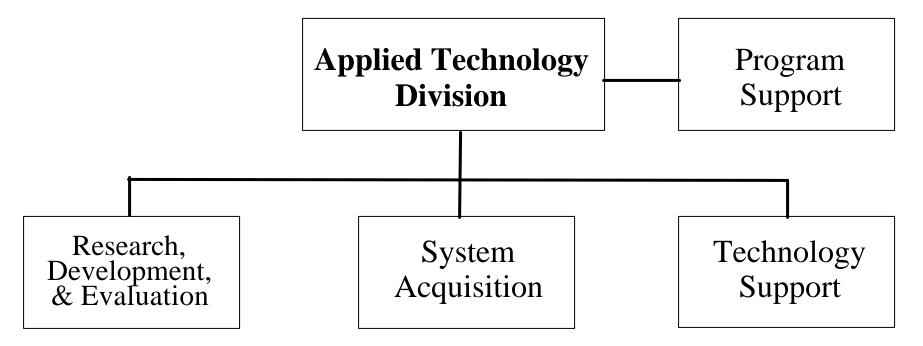
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### **ATD Mission**

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Identify, Develop, Acquire, Deploy, and Support Advanced Technical Solutions to Meet the Operational Needs of Our Customers in the U.S. Customs Service





# **Current Inspection Process**

- Risk Management
  - Insufficient resources exist for 100% intensive inspection
  - Concentrate on higher risk and random selection
- Layered Approach to Interdiction Zone
  - Pre-primary review passenger & cargo manifests
  - Primary interview and inspection
  - Secondary (intensive) inspection
  - Departure interview



# **Container Security Initiative (CSI)**

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Objective: Target and screen containers at Mega-Ports before container reaches port of final destination

#### Key Elements:

- Establish Security Criteria for Identifying High-risk Containers
- Pre-screen Containers at the Earliest Possible Point
- Use *Technology* to Quickly Pre-screen High-risk Containers
- Develop Secure and "Smart" Containers

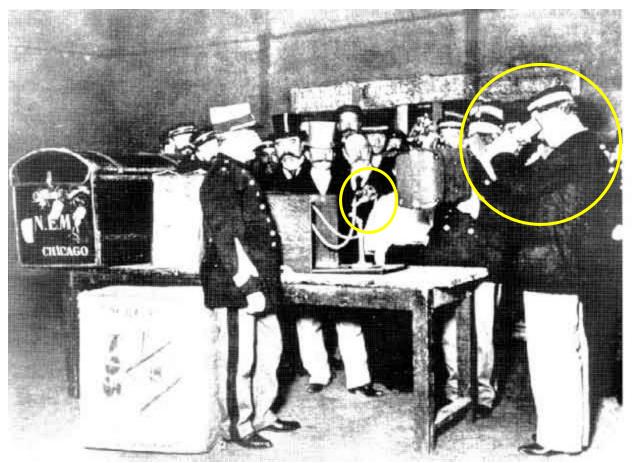


# Top 20 Mega-Ports

1. Hong Kong	9.8%	11. Antwerp	2.0 %
2. Shanghai	5.8%	12. Nagoya	1.9%
3. Singapore	5.8%	13. Le Havre	1.9%
4. Kaohsiung	5.6%	14. Hamburg	1.8%
5. Rotterdam	5.1%	15. La Spezia	1.7%
6. Pusan	5.0%	16. Felixstowe	1.7%
7. Bremerhaven	4.5%	17. Algeciras	1.6%
8. Tokyo	2.8%	18. Kobe	1.6%
9. Genoa	2.1%	19. Yokohama	1.5%
10. Yantian	2.0%	20. Laem Chabang	1.4%



# Inspection Technologies We've come a long way...



Turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Non-Intrusive Inspection at a Paris Train Station



# **Inspection Technologies**













# X-ray Imaging Technologies















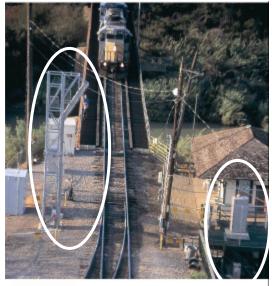


# **Gamma-ray Imaging Technologies**







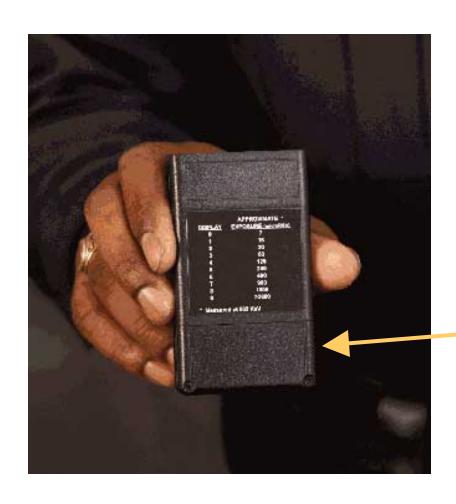




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# Personal Radiation Detector (Pager)







# Particle & Vapor Detection Systems







# **Current Areas of Investigation**

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#### Non-Intrusive Inspection

- WMD Detection Research & Equipment Evaluations
- Material Detection & Identification Technology
- NII System Evaluation Support

#### Enforcement Support

- Hand-Held Computer/PDA Evaluations
- Biometrics Technology
- Smart Container Initiative

#### Surveillance & Interdiction Support

- Ground and Maritime Sensors
- Global Tagging & Tracking Systems
- Surveillance Systems Developments



# **Radiation Detection Systems**













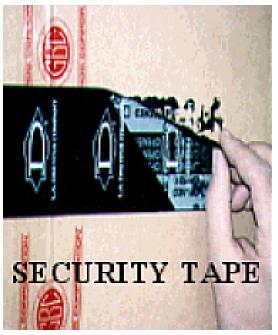


# **Smart Container/Seal Technology**

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**Smart & Secure Containers** 

**FedBizOps** 

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# **Summary**

OIT/ATD

 Address emerging terrorist threats by maintaining focus on training, automation, border security, high impact investigations...

Facilitate flow of commerce and travelers—identify, disrupt & dismantle entities that threaten that flow

Maintain forward thinking & creative approach to deployment of technology & automation





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